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SUBJ: VENEZUELAN OFFICIALS DENY INTENTION OF GRANTING PREFERENTIAL
PETROLEUM PRICES TO CENTRAL AMERICAN AND PANAMA

REF: CARACAS 12095

1. IN ITS COVERAGE OF CLOSED-DOOR CENTRAL AMERICAN-VENEZUELAN
MINISTERIAL MEETING, CARACAS DAILY "EL NACIONAL" REPORTED ON
DECEMBER 7 THAT THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE OF ITS
OBLIGATIONS TO OPEC, WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GRANT PREFERENTIAL
OIL PRICES TO OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. THIS REPORT,
ATTRIBUTED TO MID-LEVEL OFFICIALS IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES AND
HYDROCARBONS, STATED THAT THE GOV HAD EARLIER MADE THIS POSITION
CLEAR THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. THESE OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY
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CONSIDER THAT THERE ARE OTHER FORMS OF COOPERATION AVAILABLE AMONG

LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO CONFRONT THE ENERGY PRICING PROBLEM,
SUCH AS THE CONSTRUCTION OF REFINERIES IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

2. FURTHER CONFIRMING THIS GOV POSITION, "EL NACIONAL" QUOTED
MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS (AND ACTING MINISTER OF
MINES AND HYDROCARBONS) PEREZ GUERRERO AS SAYING THAT THE MINISTERS
DID NOT EVEN DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF PETROLEUM PRICES. ACCORDING
TO THE PAPER, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL ISSUES EXAMINED BY THE MINISTERS
WAS THE POSSIBLE FINANCING OF VARIOUS PROJECTS BY THE VENEZUELAN
INVESTMENT FUND.
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